

Welcome to the July edition of the <u>Charlottetown Amateur Radio Club</u> Newsletter! We'll try to keep you up-to-date with what's happening this month and any future events we're planning or are aware of. This newsletter is automatically distributed to club members, prospective future students who have reached out to us in the last year, and other interested amateur operators in the region. If you do not wish to receive these monthly newsletters, let us know and we can remove you from our distribution list. Alternatively, if you are not included on the mailing list, but would like to receive a copy of our newsletter, please reach out to our secretary.

July Club Meeting - Tuesday night July 4th, Stratford Town Center

Time really flies when you're having fun. Our next monthly meeting is coming up on Tuesday, July 4th, at 7:00 P.M. As always, everyone is welcome to attend. If you're a licensed radio operator and would like to become a member, or you're perhaps interested in becoming licensed and would like to find out more about us and the hobby, then please come and join us. We would love to meet you. For anyone who would like to become a member, membership dues are \$30 for 2023 for those who are not currently members of the Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC). For RAC members, it's \$20 for the year. Our students and graduates from the 2022 and 2023 classes are automatically members of the club. Our meetings run from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. (1900-2100) in the Southport room at the Stratford Town Center on Shakespeare Drive. Alongside monthly club reports we usually enjoy an information exchange. With Field Day at the end of June, at last month's meeting we discussed and finalized our plans for the event. This month will also be a little different, as we'll be reflecting on our Field Day experience.

Congratulations!

Another student from the Spring Basic Course passed their exam last month. Congratulations to Jeannine VY2JF for getting her Basic with Honours qualification!

If anyone wants to sit exams or rewrite an exam, then please get in touch with Brent VY2HF. Equally, if anyone wants to put their name down for our next Basic Course or join the Advanced Course study group, please let us know.

Field Day

Field Day was a great success and wonderful learning experience, even though the Sunday was a little washed out. This year, the Club organized two separate events: a public open-day style event at Victoria Park that focused on QRP and renewable energy as well as a more traditional generator-operated 24h+ event in Darnley. In addition to these two club events, the

Canadian Red Cross organized an event of their own at their headquarters in Charlottetown. Thanks very much to the Club's Field Day Teams for working so hard in organizing two awesome events!

Morse Code Practice Kits

The kits that Brent VY2HF ordered have been distributed and a kit building workshop is in the pipeline. We'll let you know when and where it's happening. In the meantime, more kits may be ordered if there is sufficient interest. Brent is currently investigating an alternative supplier. One option would be a cheaper set-up (around \$6), but instead of it being a kit, it would be ready built. Again, we'll keep you up-to-date on any development.

Meetings and Events Calendar - June

- 1: RAC Canada Day Contest 2023
- 3: 2M Simplex net, at 8:00 P.M. (2000) on 146.550 MHz, hosted by Joel, VY2KW
- 4: Monthly club meeting
- 5, 12, 19, 26: Wednesday night 2M nets, 8:00 P.M. (2000) on the VE1CRA repeater(s).
- 6, 13, 20, 27: Thursday night HF nets, on 3727 LSB (+/- QRM) at 8:00 P.M. (2000).
- 1, 8, 15, 22, 29: Virtual Breakfast 2M nets on the VE1CRA repeater(s)

Future Events

- 4 July: Monthly CARC meeting, Stratford Town Center
- 11 September: Tentative date for the Fall 2023 CARC Basic Radio Course
- 1-30 September: "Canadian Straight Key Month" with special call sign VC3K
- 23 September: Moncton Area Amateur Radio Club flea market, Lions Club, Coverdale Road, Riverview NB

Help Us Out!

Do you have something you would like to contribute to this newsletter? Drop us an email at secretary@charlottetownarc.com.